Gourock CC Minutes 19/5/25

Forum 7pm

An issue was raised by G Canata about the sink hole on Edinburgh Drive Action: To bring up at meeting and add to tracker.

Member or the public asked about the orange railings at Cardwell Bay – AK has brought this up in the past Cllr Quinn – contractor is working on this at moment.

Action: Cllr Quinn to find out timescales and raise with Cardwell Bay CC.

S Reynolds - information that a letter has been sent out to all people with memorial benches to tell them to remove all the items from benches.

Member or the public asked about the shelters on Albert Road and if they were on the list to be painted this year.

Action – AK will check this.

Resident- path at lunderston Bay is needing maintenance, its overgrown

Guilia – Parking at Lunderston Bay is a huge problem. S Reynolds will take as an issue.

They are also needing more litter pickers team of 15 and a problem in good weather....33 bags of litter at last pick. Accessibility issues

Action: Cllr Reynolds to update on parking issues and community council to write about accessibility issues.

General Monthly Meeting started at 7.30pm

Present- M Moyes, S Francis, A Dickie, A King, G Harron, G Canata, H MacLeod, D Cassidy Councillors, Lynne, Quinn, Sandra Reynolds, Council Member Janice Boyd – Allan Holliday (representing Martin McLuskey MP)

- 1. Apologies A Blincow, S McMillan MSP
- 2. **Minutes**: The minutes from the previous meeting were formally agreed.
- 3. Wardens Report Sent to A King.

D Cassidy asked about dog mess on pavements – not for wardens but enforcement officers.

Action:: Email Mark Ashcroft - the wardens will pass on and report back. (AK/DC)

4. **Shore St Vacant Plot:** The community council strongly raised the serious lack of environmental action by the owner of the Shore Street vacant plot, despite a number of communications to him. Action needs to include a serious tidy up, not just erecting a fence. Agreed a 'Gourock Deserves Better' photocall and statement for the Greenock Telegraph.

Wider Shore St issues also raised. This included flooding but Cllr Reynolds noted the positive action by Scottish Water at Christmas. Cllr Quinn also updated on the Coop building in that the landlords have requested a new structural survey. She will soon meet with the owners and agreed to pass on their details to the community council. A member of the community shared that the shops below the building had been advised to clear out.

Action 1: Send photo and statement to the GT. (Lead: AD/HM)

Action 2: Write to the owners of the Coop building once Cllr Quinn shares details. (Lead: AD/AB)

5. Community wish list: Cllr Quinn presented on the Council's community wish list. A data base will be populated with a wish list from community and contractors will be matched to the list. It will be kept updated with new items and timescales. The community council agreed to developing their own thematic wish list.

Action: CC to identify community priorities and to update Cllr Quinn and the June meeting. (Lead: AD/All)

6. Local development plan

Cllr Quinn presented on the opportunity to develop a place plan for Gourock, supported by officers. It was agreed that this would send out a strong message to developers and give the community a stronger voice. Action: To await further information about a consultation process from officers. (Lead: AD/All)

7. Community Issues Tracker

Windfarm – Post the single issue meeting, formally approved the decision of community councillors to take a view on the Giant's Burn Wind Farm and to communicate it through the appropriate channels. Action: Awaiting planning application (Lead: AD/AB)

Cal Mac Town to town ferry – Disappointment expressed about the lack of engagement or notice about the consultation process and the deadline queried.

Action: Cllr Reynolds (ferry group) to raise concerns, confirm timeline and update June meeting. (Lead: AH)

Misogyny - Ethical Standards -expect an answer by end of May. Provost replied, will make decision once ethical standards reply.

Action: Await outcome of original complaint and decide any next steps. (Lead: AD)

Children's rights - AD proposed that we explore the possibility of a young person's vote as relates to the current community councillor vacancy. CC would need to work with schools, SYP and Council to gage interest and identify a structure that works. Everyone happy to explore a young person's vote. Action: Seek advice from Council on the potential of a young person's vote and update the June meeting.

Albert Road - Meeting with Cloch Court Residents Association and Council officers to discuss solutions. Action: To provide an update at the June meeting. (AD/Cllr Quinn)

Kirn Drive - well done to Bill Oliver for all his work.

8. **Treasurers report** – Funding available-we need to find projects to apply for the funding. Action: Discuss at Business Meeting (MM)

9. Community Engagement

AK – exploring how to get CC online to reach more people.

Action: Update June meeting (Lead: AK)

10. AOB

H MacLeod – political stall at garden party, Constitution to be checked.

Action: To update June meeting on decision re political stalls at the garden party.

Next Meeting 16th June. (apologies for S Reynolds).